

desensitizing the little alarm mechanism in the books and through inadvertence whether the librarian was distracted, the desensitization did not occur. The desensitizing did not occur. So the person walked with the book and the alarm went off. The person knowing that he or she had checked out the book had no idea that he or she was the culprit. So if the alarm goes off, the librarian, a security guard or any other person can lay hands on this individual and place them under arrest or cause them to be arrested. Now, if it were myself and I had checked out a book and somebody came and put their hands on me, then I would put my hands back on them. I don't think we need police powers in the library of the kind that Senator Beutler is talking about. If there is a very strong basis for believing that somebody is walking off with library materials who has not properly checked them out, then that person can take whatever steps would be necessary short of being able to make an arrest and be immune from libel, slander, or whatever, as a result of improperly or falsely apprehending such a person. Nobody has shown the need for this legislation. On the provisions that were struck by Senator Beutler in the first part of his amendment which was accepted, he said the Bar Association objected to those provisions. I objected before the Bar Association. I wrote a letter to the Attorney General and he wrote back and said, well it may not be wise, but the Legislature can do this. So now we come a year later saying that those provisions were not wise and they should be struck from the bill. The same thing very well could and should happen with this provision that's being offered, however, we should not wait until a year from now when some librarian or security guard has gotten his or her nose mashed as a result of trying to apprehend somebody. Police officers, sworn officers who supposedly are trained in when and how to effect a legal arrest have many problems in this area. There is a civil rights action under federal statute referred to as 1983 and they are brought frequently as a result of police officers violating the rights of citizens. Now there is nothing that requires training in the law or anything else by these people who are to be accorded this awesome police power and it is awesome when you can deprive somebody of their freedom. You can stop them in front of their fellow citizens and place them under arrest or have